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RUCBCLF/CINCLANTFLT NORFOLK VA//N4633//

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SUBJ/CONTRACTOR SAFETY IN CONFINED SPACES//

REF/A/DOC/OPNAVINST 5100.23D/941011//

REF/B/DOC/29 CFR PART 1910.146/940519//

REF/C/DOC/ACCIDENT AB596-12/960930//

REF/D/DOC/USACE 385-1-1/960903//

NARR/REF A IS NAW OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH PROGRAM MANUAL.

REF B IS THE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (OSHA)

STANDARD FOR PERMIT REQUIRED CONFINED SPACES. REF C IS AN **ACCIDENT**

**ABSTRACT ON FATAL CONFINED SPACE MISHAP. REF D IS THE U. S. ARMY**

CORPS OF ENGINEERS SAFETY AND HEALTH REQUIREMENTS MANUAL.//

RMKS/1. PER REF A, ~~APPROPRIATE~~ LAWS AND REGULATIONS MAKE NO PROVISION FOR NAVY PERSONNEL TO ISSUE CONFINED SPACE ENTRY PERMITS FOR CONTRACTOR OPERATIONS. ~~PERFORMANCE~~ OF SUCH FUNCTIONS MAY INVOLVE ~~ASSUMPTION~~ OF LIABILITY ~~BY THE NAVY~~ IN THE EVENT OF A ~~MISHAP~~. THEREFORE, NAVFAC PERSONNEL SHALL NOT CERTIFY SPACES OR ISSUE PERMITS FOR CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL, EXCEPT IN EXTREME EMERGENCIES WHICH ~~MUST~~ BE AUTHORIZED BY THE ~~COMMANDING OFFICER~~.

2. NAVFAC ADDRESSEES ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO ~~TRAIN~~ CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL NOR CERTIFY ~~CONFINED~~ SPACES FOR CONTRACTORS. PER REF B, ACTIVITIES MUST APPRISE ~~CONTRACTORS~~ OF ~~KNOWN~~ HAZARDS, OF ANY PROCEDURES ~~IMPLEMENTED~~ FOR THE ~~PROTECTION~~ OF NAVY PERSONNEL AND COORDINATE ENTRY ~~OPERATIONS~~ WITH THE CONTRACTOR. WHEN BOTH NAVY AND CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL WILL BE ~~WORKING IN OR NEAR~~ PERMIT ~~REQUIRED~~ CONFINED SPACES.

3. REF C PROVIDES LESSONS LEARNED FROM A RECENT FATAL CONFINED SPACE MISHAP. CONTRACTORS ARE REQUIRED BY LAW TO COMPLY WITH REFERENCE B. IN ADDITION, THEY MUST COMPLY WITH REFERENCE D WHEN SPECIFIED IN THE CONTRACT.

4. POC FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/QUESTIONS IS DOUGLAS CRADDOCK,  
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